

The Fundamental Policy in Dealing with China for
a Complete Prosecution of the Greater East Asia
War (Agenda for the Imperial Conference)
Decided on December 21, 1942.

I. POLICY:

1. Considering the National Government's participation (T.N. Nanking Government under Wang Ching wei) in the war as constituting an important turning point for the solution of the current situation between Japan and China and in accordance with the basic principle of the Sino-Japanese collaboration, Japan will devote herself to the realization of destroying the reason and cause of resistance proposed by the Chungking Government against Japan, and at the same time, by strengthening the political power of the National Government, and actually incorporating herself with reborn China as one body, she will proceed forward for the complete prosecution of the war.

2. Carefully observing the development of the world-wide war situation, and before the United States-British counter onslaught reaches its height, Japan will endeavour to fulfill various measures toward China on the basis of the above mentioned policy.

II. ESSENTIAL POINTS:

A. Intensification of the Political Power of the National Government.

(1) Japan will avoid interfering with the National Government as much as possible, and will strive to the utmost for the promotion of initiative action on the part of the latter.

(2) By thoroughly adjusting provincial peculiarities within the occupied areas, the guidance of the provincial governments by the National Government shall be strengthened.

(3) Efforts will be made for a speedy abolition or adjustment of the concessions, extraterritoriality and various other extraordinary conditions in China, in accordance with the spirit of respecting Chinese sovereignty and territory. And as to the disposition of the Kowloon leased territory, it will separately be decided on together with that of Hongkong.

(4) The National Government shall be caused, with unwavering determination and conviction, to take steps for its self-consolidation in various aspects and to win over the mind of the people at large. In particular, it shall strive for solid realization of increased production, which is necessary for a complete prosecution of the war, and for the diffusion of knowledge on the war objective among the government officials and the people, and also a more rigid maintenance of peace and order, etc., so that nothing shall be left undone for a thorough cooperation in the war.

(5) Japan considers it necessary to make amendments at a suitable time to the Japanese-Chinese basic treaties and other agreements attached thereto, correspondingly with the realization in the future of the full development and consolidation of the National Government and its collaboration with Japan.

B. ECONOMIC MEASURES:

(1) The economic measures toward China with which Japan is now confronted will be to lay emphasis on development in acquiring materials urgently needed within the occupied area, as well as to strive for positive acquisition of enemy owned materials necessary for complete prosecution of the war.

(2) In carrying out the economic measures, monopolization by the Japanese side shall not only be warned against, but at the same time the responsibility and initiative action of the Chinese government and people shall be mobilized and their positive collaboration with Japan shall be realized.

C. MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TOWARD CHUNGKING.

(1) Japan will not enter into any peace negotiations with Chungking. In case the situation should change and peace negotiations be planned, a decision thereon shall be made apart from this.

(2) The National Government shall adapt itself to the attitude of Japan, as explained above.

D. STRATEGIC MEASURES:

The strategic measures of Japan against China shall be based on the policy which has been already established.

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大東亞戰爭完遂ノ爲ノ對支處理根本方針（御前會議決定）

昭和十七年十二月二十一日決定

第一 方針

一 帝國ハ國民政府ヲ以テ日支間局面打開ノ一大方針トシ日支間
之ノ根本問題ニ關リ寧ラ國民政府ノ政治力ヲ強化スルト共ニ重慶
抗日ノ標榜名目ノ覆滅ヲ期リ其ニ重慶支隊ト一帯の全宗遂ニ消滅
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二 世田局長ノ推挙ト聯合セ米英獨反攻ノ最高潮ニ達スルニ先チ前項
方針ニ基ク對支諸施策ノ結實ヲ圖ル

第二 面 領

一 國民政府ノ政治力強化

(イ) 國民政府ニ對シ他メテ干涉ヲ避ケ極力其ノ自發的活動ヲ
促進ス

(ロ) 勢力占領地域内ニ於ケル地方的障礙性ヲ調整シ國民政府ノ地方
政府ニ對スル指導ヲ強化セシム

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三 經濟政策

ハ支那ニ於ケル租界、治外法權區ノ他殊異ノ諸事ハ支那ノ主權
及領土尊重ノ趣旨ニ背キ遠ニ之ガ撤廢乃至廢止ヲ圖ル九條租借
地ノ處理ニ關シテハ香港ト併セ別途之ヲ定ム
ニ國民政府ヲシテ不動ノ決意ト信念トヲ以テ各黨ニ宣リ自
ニ對ゼシメ民衆ノ民心ヲ獲得シテニ國民政府ノ爲必スル片斷
ノ増進、改革ノ目的ニ對スル國民認識ノ普及並ニ治安維持ノ門化
能ノ確實ナル具體ヲ圖リ、戰爭協力ニ徹底進歩ナカシム
ホモ國ハ將來國民政府ノ完備強化並ニ其ノ對日協力ノ具體案ニ照
應シ進歩日進基本方針及附屬諸取柄ニ所屬ノ修正ヲ加フルコト
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イ當面ノ對支經濟政策ハ戰爭元遂上必要トスル物資増大ヲ
主眼トシ占領地域内ニ於ケル緊急物資ノ重點的開發並ニ後
方物資ノ積極的開發ヲ圖ル
ロ經濟政策ノ實行ニ當リテハ日本側ノ獨占ヲ戒シムルト共に支那

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三 對華政策

イ 支那ハ舊日ニ對シ之ヲ對等トスル一切ノ和平工作ヲ行ハス
ニ化シ和平工作ヲ行ハムトスル場合ハ別ニ之ヲ決定ス

ロ 支那ハ舊日ヲシテ右等ノ態度ニ順應セシム

四 對日政策

支那ノ對支政策ハ既定方針ニ據ル